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Attached please find the following document for filing in the above-identified patent application:

1) Request for Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal; and

2) Preliminary Amendment.

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Prior to considering the enclosed request for continued examination, please enter the following amendments. Applicants also request the entry of the Amendment After Final filed on May 10, 2002 prior to the entry of this Preliminary Amendment.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

At page 35, lines 13-33, please replace the paragraph with the following. This paragraph was previously amended in the Amendment filed on October 15, 2001.

The conditions to convert crystalline VO₂ to orthorhombic V₂O₅ and 2-D crystalline V₂O₅, and amorphous V₂O₅ to orthorhombic V₂O₅ and 2-D crystalline V₂O₅ are described in copending and commonly assigned U.S. Patent application serial number 08/897,903, now U.S. Patent 5,989,514 to Bi et al., entitled "Processing of Vanadium Oxide Particles With Heat," incorporated herein by reference. Conditions for the removal of carbon coatings from metal oxide nanoparticles is described in U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/123,255, now U.S. Patent